

**Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA**

**§ 29.6042**

**§ 29.6024 Length.**

The linear measurement of cured tobacco leaves from the butt of the midrib to the extreme tip.

**§ 29.6025 Lot.**

A pile, basket, bulk, package, or other definite unit.

**§ 29.6026 Maturity.**

The degree of ripeness. (See chart.)

**§ 29.6027 Nested.**

Any tobacco which has been loaded, packed, or arranged to conceal foreign matter or tobacco of inferior grade, quality, or condition. Nested includes any lot of tobacco which contains foreign matter or damaged, injured, tangled, or other inferior tobacco, any of which cannot be readily detected upon inspection because of the way the lot is packed or arranged. (See Rule 17.)

**§ 29.6028 No Grade.**

A designation applied to a lot of tobacco classified as damaged, dirty, nested, offtype, semicured, or wet; tobacco that is improperly packed, contains foreign matter, or has an odor foreign to the type. (See Rules 5 and 17.)

**§ 29.6029 Offtype.**

Tobacco of distinctly different characteristics which cannot be classified as Type 53, 54, or 55. (See Rule 17.)

**§ 29.6030 Package.**

A hogshead, tierce, case, bale, or other securely enclosed parcel or bundle.

**§ 29.6031 Packing.**

A lot of tobacco consisting of a number of packages submitted as one definite unit for sampling or inspection. It is represented to contain the same kind of tobacco and has a common identification number or mark on each package.

**§ 29.6032 Quality.**

A division of a group or the second factor of a grade based on the relative degree of one or more elements of quality.

**§ 29.6033 Raw.**

Tobacco as it appears between the time of harvesting and the beginning of the curing process.

**§ 29.6034 Semicured.**

Tobacco in the process of being cured or which is partially but not thoroughly cured. Semicured includes tobacco which contains fat stems, wet butts, swelled stems, and tobacco having frozen stems or stems that have not been thoroughly dried in the curing process. (See definition of No Grade and Rule 17.)

**§ 29.6035 Side.**

A certain phase of quality as contrasted with some other phase of quality or any peculiar characteristic of tobacco.

**§ 29.6036 Sound.**

Free of damage. (See Rule 4.)

**§ 29.6037 Stem.**

The midrib or large central vein of a tobacco leaf.

**§ 29.6038 Stemmed.**

A form of tobacco, including strips and strip scrap, from which the stems or midribs have been removed.

**§ 29.6039 Stem rot.**

The deterioration of an uncured or frozen stem resulting from bacterial action. Although stem rot results from bacterial action, it is inactive in cured tobacco and is treated as a kind of injury in these types. (See Rule 14.)

**§ 29.6040 Strength (tensile).**

The stress a tobacco leaf can bear without tearing. (See chart.)

**§ 29.6041 Strips.**

The sides of a tobacco leaf from which the stem has been removed or a lot of tobacco composed of strips.

**§ 29.6042 Sweated.**

The condition of tobacco which has passed through one or more fermentations natural to tobacco packed with a normal percentage of moisture. This condition sometimes is described as aged.